Subject No. 148.

Grant of Amrut Mahal Kaval under Devambudhi Tank for cultivation.

Summary of discussion.—The statistics of land commanded by Devambudhi Tank in Hasigehobli village are as follows:—

	Acres.	Assessment.
Total area	3,932	
Deduct Kharab	2,359	
Remainder arable	1,573	7,091
Deduct Inam	196	813
Remainder Sarkar	1,377	6,278

For irrigating this area, the tank stores sufficient water. But as the distribution channels were out of order, 490 acres assessed at Rs. 2,167 were under cultivation and 886 acres assessed at Rs. 4,110 were kept as Amrut Mahal Kaval. The distribution channels and Kempambudhi Tank serving the same purpose are being repaired on an estimate of 8 or 10 thousand Rupees. Raiyats apply for the land now forming the Armut Mahal Kaval, but the applications are rejected. It is a loss to Government to withhold such irrigable land from cultivation. If not all, a great portion, *viz.*, that near the bund of the Kempambudhi Tank bearing an assessment of about Rs. 2,000, may well be given out for cultivation.

Dewan's reply.—If there are cultivators and the lands are sought for cultivation, Government will grant them with pleasure. The lands were long waste owing to want of population and unhealthiness, and hence they were given to the Amrut Mahal Department. It would be easy to take them back, if there is a *bonâ-fide* darkhast for them, a point upon which the Deputy Commissioner should report in due course.

Subject No. 149.

Public Works Department Projects.

The following projects recommended by Representatives of the Tumkur District were noted for consideration in the Public Works Department:—

(*a*). Tank across Marshettihalla (Nittur Tank).

(*b*). Restoration of the Ankasandra Tank in Chiknayakanhalli Taluk.

(*c*). Restoration of the old Anikat near Sunnadapura Village in Kunigal Taluk.

(*d*). Road from Amrutur to Huliyurdurga as a Railway feeder, in extension of the existing Kunigal-Amrutur road. (Required to furnish an outlet to the produce of three or four hundred villages.)

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